

Commonwealth of Massachusetts
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ENF Environmental
Notification Form

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Executive Office of Environmental Affairs
 EOEa No.: 14234
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The information requested on this form must be completed to begin MEPA Review in accordance with the provisions of the Massachusetts Environmental Policy Act, 301 CMR 11.00.

Project Name: Salem Port Expansion		
Street: 10 Blaney Street		
Municipality: Salem	Watershed: South River /Salem Harbor	
Universal Transverse Mercator Coordinates:	Latitude: 42.522398 Longitude: 70.882804 W	
Estimated commencement date: Spring 2009	Estimated completion date: Spring 2011	
Approximate cost: \$14.73million	Status of project design: 25%complete	
Proponent: City of Salem		
Street: 120 Washington Street		
Municipality: Salem	State: MA	Zip Code: 01970
Name of Contact Person From Whom Copies of this ENF May Be Obtained: Susan St. Pierre		
Firm/Agency: Vine Associates, Inc.	Street: 372 Merrimac Street	
Municipality: Newburyport	State: MA	Zip Code: 01950
Phone: 978-465-1428	Fax:	E-mail: sst.pierre@vineassociates.net

Does this project meet or exceed a mandatory EIR threshold (see 301 CMR 11.03)?
 Yes No

Has this project been filed with MEPA before?
 Yes (EOEA No. _____) No

Has any project on this site been filed with MEPA before?
 Yes (EOEA No. 13558) No

Is this an Expanded ENF (see 301 CMR 11.05(7)) requesting:
 a Single EIR? (see 301 CMR 11.06(8)) Yes No
 a Special Review Procedure? (see 301 CMR 11.09) Yes No
 a Waiver of mandatory EIR? (see 301 CMR 11.11) Yes No
 a Phase I Waiver? (see 301 CMR 11.11) Yes No

Identify any financial assistance or land transfer from an agency of the Commonwealth, including the agency name and the amount of funding or land area (in acres): Seaport Bond Bill
Funding has been provided for design and permitting and is expected for construction.

Are you requesting coordinated review with any other federal, state, regional, or local agency?
 Yes (Specify _____) No

List Local or Federal Permits and Approvals: U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Section 10/Section 404 Permit, Salem Conservation Commission Notice of Intent.

Which ENF or EIR review threshold(s) does the project meet or exceed (see 301 CMR 11.03):

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Land | <input type="checkbox"/> Rare Species | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Wetlands, Waterways, & Tidelands |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Water | <input type="checkbox"/> Wastewater | <input type="checkbox"/> Transportation |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Energy | <input type="checkbox"/> Air | <input type="checkbox"/> Solid & Hazardous Waste |
| <input type="checkbox"/> ACEC | <input type="checkbox"/> Regulations | <input type="checkbox"/> Historical & Archaeological Resources |

Summary of Project Size & Environmental Impacts	Existing	Change	Total	State Permits & Approvals
LAND				<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Order of Conditions <input type="checkbox"/> Superseding Order of Conditions <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Chapter 91 License <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 401 Water Quality Certification <input type="checkbox"/> MHD or MDC Access Permit <input type="checkbox"/> Water Management Act Permit <input type="checkbox"/> New Source Approval <input type="checkbox"/> DEP or MWRA Sewer Connection/ Extension Permit <input type="checkbox"/> Other Permits (including Legislative Approvals) – Specify:
Total site acreage	2.04			
New acres of land altered		0		
Acres of impervious area	.15	1.89	2.04	
Square feet of new bordering vegetated wetlands alteration		0		
Square feet of new other wetland alteration (Watersheet)		362,000		
Acres of new non-water dependent use of tidelands or waterways		0		
STRUCTURES				
Gross square footage	467	10,024	10,491	
Number of housing units	0	0	0	
Maximum height (in feet)	0	32 (to peak)	32 (to peak)	
TRANSPORTATION				
Vehicle trips per day	848 weekday 694 weekend	272 weekday 752 weekend	1120 weekday 1446 weekend	
Parking spaces	196	-50	146	
WATER/WASTEWATER				
Gallons/day (GPD) of water use	78	3772	3850	
GPD water withdrawal	0	0	0	
GPD wastewater generation/ treatment	71	3122	3300	
Length of water/sewer mains (in miles)	0	0	0	

CONSERVATION LAND: Will the project involve the conversion of public parkland or other Article 97 public natural resources to any purpose not in accordance with Article 97?

- Yes (Specify _____) No

Will it involve the release of any conservation restriction, preservation restriction, agricultural preservation restriction, or watershed preservation restriction?

- Yes (Specify _____) No

RARE SPECIES: Does the project site include Estimated Habitat of Rare Species, Vernal Pools, Priority Sites of Rare Species, or Exemplary Natural Communities?

Yes (Specify _____) No

HISTORICAL / ARCHAEOLOGICAL RESOURCES: Does the project site include any structure, site or district listed in the State Register of Historic Place or the inventory of Historic and Archaeological Assets of the Commonwealth?

Yes (Specify _____) No

If yes, does the project involve any demolition or destruction of any listed or inventoried historic or archaeological resources?

Yes (Specify _____) No

AREAS OF CRITICAL ENVIRONMENTAL CONCERN: Is the project in or adjacent to an Area of Critical Environmental Concern?

Yes (Specify _____) No

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The project description should include (a) a description of the project site, (b) a description of both on-site and off-site alternatives and the impacts associated with each alternative, and (c) potential on-site and off-site mitigation measures for each alternative (You may attach one additional page, if necessary.)

Project Site and Purpose

The City of Salem proposes to redevelop 10 Blaney Street into a multi use port facility. The 2.04 acre site is located off of Derby Street in the Salem Harbor Designated Port Area and is owned by Dominion. The site currently contains an interim floating dock system, a gravel parking area that can accommodate about 196 vehicles, and an office trailer used by the Salem Ferry, *Nathaniel Bowditch*, which has been providing seasonal commuter ferry service from the site to Boston since 2006. The City is currently under agreement with an offshore supply vessel and a coastal cruise company both of which expect to be users of the facility beginning this year.

The Project offers a unique and exciting opportunity for the City of Salem to redevelop an underutilized site located on Salem Harbor into an economic engine and a tourist gateway for the community.

Project Background

The Salem Port Expansion Project has been the subject of planning, economic, and engineering studies over the past several years that recommend the development of a multi use water transportation facility that could service a variety of vessels including the existing Salem Ferry *Nathaniel Bowditch*, excursion boats, water taxis, an LNG Offshore supply boat, commercial fishing boats, visiting ships and small cruise ships. The existing floating dock system was installed in 2006, a bathymetric survey, dredge sampling and testing were performed in 2006/2007 and an updated site layout and program was developed in the fall/winter of 2007.

Project Description

The proposed redevelopment plan for the site includes land and waterside improvements. The site is located adjacent to the Dominion Power plant and residential neighborhoods. The site design has been developed in response to this neighborhood context and includes traffic changes on Derby Street, landscaping, and pedestrian amenities including a continuous harborwalk and a